SEC. 402. EVALUATION.

The first sentence of section 416(a) (42 U.S.C. 5056(a)) is amended by inserting after "this Act" the following: "(including the VISTA Literacy Corps which shall be evaluated as a separate program at least once every 3 years)".

SEC. 403. DEFINITIONS.

Section 421 (42 U.S.C. 5061) is amended—

(1) by striking "and" at the end of paragraph (4);

(2) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (5) and inserting a semicolon; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(6) the term 'poverty line for a single individual' means such poverty line as established by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget in accordance with section 673(2) of the Community Services Block Grant Act (42 U.S.C. 9902(2)); and".

TITLE V—OLDER AMERICAN VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

SEC. 501. PURPOSES.

Title II (42 U.S.C. 5001 et seq.) is amended by inserting after the heading for such title the following new section:

"STATEMENT OF PURPOSES

42 USC 5000.

"SEC. 200. It is the purpose of—

"(1) this title to provide for Older American Volunteer Programs, comprised of the retired senior volunteer program, the foster grandparent program, and the senior companion program, that empower older individuals to contribute to their communities through volunteer service, enhance the lives of the volunteers and those whom they serve, and provide communities with valuable services;

"(2) part A, the retired senior volunteer program, to utilize the vast talents of older individuals willing to share their experiences, abilities, and skills in responding to a wide variety of community needs;

"(3) part B, the foster grandparent program, to afford low-income older individuals an opportunity to provide supportive, individualized services to children with exceptional or special

needs; and

"(4) part C, the senior companion program, to afford low-income older individuals the opportunity to provide personal assistance and companionship to other older individuals through volunteer service.".

SEC. 502. PROGRAMS OF NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE.

(a) AUTHORITY TO MAKE GRANTS.—Part D of title II (42 U.S.C. 5021 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"PROGRAMS OF NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE

"SEC. 225. (a)(1) With not less than one-third of the funds made available under subsection (d) in each fiscal year, the Director shall

42 USC 5025.